

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the Abstract in accordance with the instructions that follow.

A web material is disclosed comprising a substrate in web form and multiple microwells, arranged on ~~said~~ the substrate in a predetermined pattern and separated from each other by separating zones, each microwell comprising a bottom and an upstanding surface formed by the adjacent separating zones, wherein the composition of ~~said~~ the bottoms on the one hand and the composition of ~~said~~ the separating zones and upstanding surfaces on the other hand show a different hydrophilicity.

~~The invention further encompasses methods for manufacturing such web materials, and an apparatus for use of the defined web materials.~~

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This application is a continuation application of U.S. Pat. App. No. 09/949,359 filed 9/7/2001 which is pending.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

Fig. 1 illustrates an embodiment of the present invention wherein 1 is an unwind, 2 is an application zone, 3 is a screening zone, 4 is a rewind section and 5 is a web.

Fig. 2 illustrates an embodiment of the present invention illustrating two microwells, wherein 6 is a bottom and 7 is an upstanding surface.